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## MAN MEETS TRAGIC DEATH IN PORTLAND

E. Otto, Brother of Oscar Otto of This City is Scalded to Death in Vat of Water At Union Meat Company Plant.

Oscar R. Otto, dealer in pianos and other musical instruments in this city was called to Portland Tuesday upon learning of the tragic death of his brother, E. Otto at the Union Meat Company's plant.

The unfortunate man was day foreman at the plant and had returned there Monday night to check up on some work, according to the report in the Portland papers. While there he entered into a controversy with Dan O'Connell, night foreman of the glue factory. On the strength of an alleged admission of O'Connell to another employe O'Connell has been arrested. From the admission it appears that in the controversy between the two men blows were struck, O'Connell has admitted that he knocked Otto into the vat, but that the blow was not struck with that intention, he declared that the dead man slipped.

Otto was a married man and was about 51 years old. Oscar Otto is the only surviving brother in this country, the other relatives all live in Germany.

### Industrial Club Workers Here.

Professor L. J. Allen, industrial club organizer from the Oregon Agricultural College, accompanied by Miss Helen Cowgill from the domestic science department of the same institution, have been visiting with the various clubs in Morrow county this week. The object of their visit at this time is to stimulate interest among the club workers.

They are visiting every principal town in the county and calling a meeting of as many club members as is possible at this busy season of the year. On Monday, Professor Allen and Miss Cowgill, accompanied by Superintendent Notson, went to Hardman, where they held successful meetings. On Tuesday in Heppner they met and conferred with local industrial club pupils. In the evening Miss Cowgill gave some practical demonstrations in canning with a pressure cooker in the high school auditorium. Wednesday and today was spent by the visitors at Ione and Lexington. After leaving Morrow county they will complete their tour of Eastern Oregon.

## MUSICAL COMPANY WILL APPEAR HERE

De Moss Concert Entertainers Are Coming Soon.

The De Moss Concert Entertainers will make their first appearance before a Heppner audience at the Christian church next Wednesday evening. The De Moss entertainers consist of one musical family made up of father, mother, two sons and three daughters. They began their career as public entertainers in 1872. Since that time they have visited all the principal cities of America and Europe. Of the original family, three of the members are now living, the two sons and one of the daughters. The present organization consists of Henry DeMoss, Mrs. George De Moss, their two sons, Elbert and Homer De Moss and Miss Bonnie Olson, the pianist and reader.

An admission charge of 25 and 15 cents will be charged.

Dean T. Goodman and wife of The Dalles are in the city today. Mr. Goodman is a well known traveling man.

### THE WEATHER

The following is the report of the weather for the past week as given us by Cooperative Observer Frank Gilliam:

Date	Temp.			Char. of Day
	Highest	Lowest	Rainfall	
26	66	43		Part Cloudy
27	71	42		Part Cloudy
28	73	43		Clear
29	79	45		Clear
30	90	48		Clear
31	81	46		Clear
1	80	47		Clear

## PERSONAL MENTION

Dr. Leonard R. Purkey made a professional visit to Lexington on Tuesday.

W. M. Stewart, prominent Lone Rock citizen spent several days in Heppner this week.

Mary Viegas of Monument passed through Heppner Tuesday, after a visit to outside points.

Those wishing the Zanol preparations will find them at Mrs. Herren's millinery store during Mrs. Moore's absence from the city.

Mrs. Albert Bowker departed Tuesday morning for Coquille, where she will visit with her sister, Mrs. Verne Hamilton.

Chas. and Emmett Jones, prosperous wheat farmers just south of Heppner on the W. P. Dutton land, were in the city on business Wednesday.

J. B. Sparks and family accompanied by Paul Gemmell and the Misses Muriel McCarty and Mary Gelfinger of Ione, have gone to Lehman Springs for a two weeks vacation.

Ed Huston president of the Morrow County Farmer's Union was in the city Tuesday making pre-harvest preparations. Most of his grain is good this year and will easily make an average yield of 20 bushels per acre.

C. M. Humphreys, city treasurer of La Grande made a brief visit in Heppner last Thursday evening. Mr. Humphreys is traveling in a Ford car and made the trip from La Grande to this city in 8 hours. The distance is 112 miles.

Mrs. C. W. Shurte has been spending several weeks in Arlington where she could be at the bedside of her mother, who has been very ill. Her mother has recovered to some extent, and Mrs. Shurte was able to return home this week.

Dr. N. E. Winnard returned home Tuesday evening after spending just a month in the middle west. The greater part of his time was taken up with special work at the Mayo brothers hospital at Rochester, Minn. He reports a very enjoyable trip.

Miss Maude Franklin of Portland is a guest at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Edwards of Sand Hollow. Miss Franklin will spend the summer in Morrow county and will visit at the D. O. Justus home on Hinton creek before returning to Portland.

Elbert Cox, brother of Claude Cox of this city, who has been working in a rubber factory at Akron Ohio the last three years, has joined the Ohio National Guard and is now doing duty on the Mexican border, according to information which Mr. Cox recently received from his brother.

Geo. Perry, Jr. arrived yesterday from Lone Rock to officiate as look-out at the station occupied by Bud Brown last year. Bud was reappointed, but decided to serve this year as the fire season would not last over a month, and he is now interested with his brother in a power wood saw.—Fossil Journal.

A. E. Bates of Hardman was in the city Sunday to receive a carload of flour mill machinery which he and his partner, Mr. Stone will soon start operating at Hardman. Mr. Bates is optimistic over his new venture and feels satisfied that his mill will soon be supplying a large part of the south end trade.

John P. McManus has sold the Pendleton Tribune to a strong company of young, experienced newspaper men. The new owners are, E. J. Owens, formerly managing editor of the Portland Evening Telegram, Clarence Ash, until recently city editor of the Marshfield Coos Bay Times, George Gilmore, Pendleton newspaper man and William Lowell, formerly of the Boise Statesman.

Geo. VanKoten has taken a contract to haul gravel on to the streets of Fossil with his truck at 80 cents a yard. He has opened a gravel pit on the roadside two miles east of town, which gives him a down hill haul all the way with his load. At present he is dumping gravel on Main street. With the assistance of Hauls Dunlap, George loads and hauls a yard and a half of gravel every hour.—Fossil Journal.

E. Jay Merrill of Hardman returned from Portland Tuesday where he had taken a car load of cattle. Mr. Merrill reports that some 1500 head of cattle were disposed of at the North Portland yards the day he arrived and consequently the market was low. He reports the hog market strong. A large crowd is in Heppner this week, according to Mr. Merrill, a big number of visitors having arrived for the Pythian convention.

## TWO HEPPNER BOYS ENLIST FOR BORDER DUTY

Recruiting officer, Major H. U. Welch met with some success on his trip to Heppner this week seeking to enlist men in the Oregon National Guard duty on the Mexican border. Chas. Ayers, son of Wm. Ayers and Linus Ludd, a young man who has been living in Heppner the past year answered the Major's call.

The young men went to Clackamas this morning. After spending a week there, they will become members of a company which leaves for the south.

Portland and the Willamette Valley have done more than their share, according to Major Welch, and it was because of this that he is visiting the towns of Eastern Oregon seeking recruits. He attributes the ready enlisting of the valley town men to the fact that good live companies have been thriving there for years and great interest has always been taken by these companies in military drill. One company at Salem came up to the full quota of men without recruiting.

Of all the soldiers now enlisted, Portland has furnished about two-thirds. Portland firms are allowing employes who have enlisted, all the way from full pay to half pay while they are in the army.

The National Guard men will not be retained to active duty any longer than absolutely necessary, is the opinion of Major Welch. However, he believes the assembling of the Guard troops at this time is a very good thing, since it will give the country a chance to see what the Guard is and what its real effectiveness is.

## HARVEST IS ON IN FULL SWING IN THE IONE COUNTRY—MAKING BIG YIELD

This end of the county has little to offer in the line of news at present. Nothing doing in that line as every fellow is busy, at least every fellow that can be induced to get busy—in the fields, taking care of the big harvest. Cutting is now quite general and another week will see all the headers in the fields. Some few are threshing, and one or two combines have begun on the fall grain. Among these we mention Chas. Devin who has been combining for several days past, and is getting around twenty bushels to the acre, and his grain gets better as he works into the field. Heading and threshing is going on at a rapid rate in the big barley fields on the Baker place. Mat Halvorsen is doing the work and this grain is turning out 30 bushels. There is seven hundred acres and we understand the crop has already been sold at a good figure and will be put through the warehouse at Ione just as fast as it can be brought in. Paul Reilmann has also been threshing barley and is getting around thirty bushels. He will also have an excellent crop of wheat and oats. L. J. Padberg is doing some threshing of barley, also and is getting twenty-five bushels at present and this will improve as he gets into the fields a little farther. His brother, W. H. is doing the work with his gasoline outfit. Mr. Padberg states that so far progress has been rather slow owing to the grain hardly ripe enough. The straw is tough and this makes it hard to thresh. However, these days of warmer weather are maturing all grain better and by the time he gets to his wheat he anticipates no trouble. Mr. Padberg has eleven hundred acres of grain to put in the sack. Messrs. Kindt and Jacquet who are the owners of the Bowerman ranch just over the line in Gilliam County, are getting lined out to begin combining on 900 acres of grain by the first of the week. They will propel their machine with a 60-horse caterpillar engine and are expecting a 20-bushel crop. John Williams and H. Wilson will each begin the coming week, and as stated above harvesting will be general throughout the Ione section by the middle of the coming week.

Luther Huston, Eight Mile farmer was trading with the Ione merchants on Tuesday. He is happy over his fine crop prospects.

Henry Holgate, who has been engaged in the butcher business in Ione for the past two years, having disposed of his interests here, has accepted a position at Pendleton.

Bert Bowker, automobile dealer of Heppner, was transacting business in this burg the first of the week, disposing of a car to Geo. N. Ely, warehouseman of Morgan.

Maurice and Alvin Balsiger, sons of Fred Balsiger, of White Salmon, Wash., arrived in Ione last week and each of them has secured a place to work during harvest. Mr. Balsiger was formerly a farmer in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Ely of Morgan are rejoicing over the arrival recently in their home of an 8-pound daughter. The young lady put in her appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Low in Ione on July 27th.

### Forest Notes.

The first act of Congress relating to forestry was an appropriation of \$200,000., passed in 1799, for the purpose of acquiring timber for naval construction. Under this appropriation the Government established reserves containing live oak as the best timber for shipbuilding.

The turpine industry of southern France is a man-made industry. Of shifting, barren sand dunes and a malaria, poverty-stricken region, the French Government through reclamation and planting of maritime pine, has made one of the most prosperous and salubrious sections of France. A century ago the barren sand dunes of southern France could be bought at any price. Today this barren land within the reclaimed area is worth at the lowest \$2.50 per acre, while the best as high as \$24.00 per acre.

The amount of standing hardwood timber in this country has been variously estimated at from 400 to 500 billion feet. About 349 billion of this is in the southern states.

President J. D. Farrell of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co., accompanied by other officials of his company will arrive in Heppner this evening by auto and will go out to the W. D. Newlon ranch in the artesian well belt. Mr. Farrell, who is a personal friend of Mr. and Mrs. Newlon is greatly interested in the development of the north end of Morrow county as well as being interested in the success of Mr. and Mrs. Newlon in the work which they have undertaken in drilling for artesian water.

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O. P. Hulse, a Portland realty man, was in Ione Monday looking up some property transactions in this city. It strikes us that Morrow County dirt is going to be in strong demand from now on, the big harvest giving us a substantial boost.

R. A. Farrens was down from the Gooseberry country on Monday. He expects his 600 acres of wheat will make 20 bushels, some of his neighbors are putting a higher estimate upon his yield than this. He will soon be in the midst of his harvesting.

O. A. Briens was in from his Gooseberry farm Tuesday and took out a new water tank from Balsiger's factory. Oran has been faithful on the water wagon these many years but has hopes now that he may undertake the boring of a well and cut out this enormous chore.

Another change was consummated in the Ione butcher shop this week. J. Frank Hall of Heppner taking over the half interest of Henry Holgate in the shop. The new firm is now Hall & McNamer. Mr. Hall has moved his family to Ione and we extend to them a cordial welcome.

N. P. Peterson, representing M. H. Houser, Portland grain dealer, was in Ione a couple of days the first of this week looking over the grain situation. He was greatly pleased with the splendid outlook for good grain yields and expects to be in the market for all the grain he can get hold of.

H. H. Vandevort, of Salem, was an Ione visitor the first of the week, coming up to look after his interests here. He is the owner of a large tract of land in the vicinity of Morgan which is being farmed this season by E. G. Morgan. He found a splendid crop growing on his place and is glad to invest more money in wheat lands in that vicinity.

Chas. Read and son, Gus will begin their harvest at once. They are among the big producers on the north side this season and while some of their grain is pretty weedy because of the foul ground they had to handle, the greater portion is very clean and will produce well. They may decide to use the combine although they are contemplating heading and threshing.

Mr. R. E. Harbison of Hillsboro, Oregon, was in Ione Monday looking over some real estate in this vicinity. He has in mind coming here with his family to locate on one of our wheat farms, and expects to close a deal for a ranch near here in time to move up this fall. Mr. Harbison had the appearance of a man that would make good and we shall be glad if he gets hold of a farm in Morrow county.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Tom Johnson went to Pendleton the first of the week.

J. H. Loomis of The Dalles motored to Heppner Wednesday.

John Jenkins, Eight Mile farmer was in the city Tuesday after farm supplies.

R. J. Carsner, prominent Wheeler county stockman, motored to Heppner Tuesday from his ranch in the Spray section.

Bert Gurdane has bought Dr. G. G. Gaunt's old Ford and Mr. Gaunt has purchased a new car of the same make from Vaughn & Sons.

Mrs. Elsie Dorthy of Milton is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson in Heppner. Mrs. Dorthy is a sister of Mrs. Johnson.

Oscar Keithley, Herman Neilson and I. F. Bedsaul of Eight Mile and Hardman paid our city a visit the first of the week. These men all wear that bumper crop smile.

Vaughn & Sons received a new Saxon Six demonstrator the past week. This popular car is proving a good seller, several having already been disposed of in this county.

Superintendent of Schools, S. E. Notson, accompanied by L. J. Allen and Miss Helen Cowgill of the Oregon Agricultural College spent Monday at Hardman in the interests of industrial club work.

Chas. Thompson and H. Fred Tash, local Pythians, were passengers to Portland Sunday to attend the big convention. Mr. Tash goes as a delegate from Doric lodge No. 20 to the grand lodge.

Jesse O. Turner of Sand Hollow was a Monday morning seeker for harvest hands in this city. Heading starts on the Turner ranch this week with wheat showing every indication of making a bumper yield.

County Judge C. C. Patterson went to Irrigon Monday on a matter of business. Harriett R. Bishop, wife of P. C. Bishop, of that place has been adjudged feeble minded and Mr. Patterson appointed her husband to act as guardian.

Daisy Barlow, Sylvia Severance, Ina Johnson and Ester Turner returned home Saturday evening from Mouth, where they have been attending the summer school. These young ladies will teach in the schools of Morrow county the coming year.

N. E. Crow, of Portland, representing the California State Life Insurance Co. has been spending several days in Heppner. This is Mr. Crow's first visit to this city in seven years. He has been traveling over the county extensively since his arrival here.

A large number of local people will leave Saturday for a two week's vacation at Lehman Springs. Among those who will journey over to this popular resort are W. Pruitt Cox and Vivian Cox, Dr. R. J. Vaughn and wife, and Will Ball, Josephine Richardson and Nettie Currin.

Herman Vance of the Oregon Garage and Henry Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hill left Wednesday morning in Mr. Vance's car for the coast. They will go to Rockaway and upon returning home will be accompanied by Mrs. Vance, who has been spending the last month at the beach.

At a recent meeting of the school board of district No. One George Winters was appointed to succeed Hugh C. Githens, resigned as janitor of the school building. Mr. Winters has already moved into the building and Mr. Githens has moved his family to the Borg residence in East Heppner.

Several autoists have encountered some difficulty in reaching Ditch creek recently, owing to a few bad mud holes. On the summit just above the coal mines are the bad places. Two cars were stalled there for several hours last Sunday and it was necessary to construct a corduroy road under one car before it could pull out.

W. K. Livingston and wife returned Sunday evening from Eugene, where Mr. Livingston attended the University of Oregon summer school. After spending a month at the home of Mrs. Livingston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Brown, they will go east where Mr. Livingston will complete his education prior to entering the medical profession.

Dr. Archie D. McMurdo, accompanied by W. W. Smead and wife and Mrs. W. O. Bayless, left Heppner Saturday by auto for Portland, making the journey over the Columbia highway. They will be in Portland during the Knights of Pythias convention. Mr. Smead being a delegate from the local lodge and also chairman of the committee having in charge the float from Gilliam and Morrow counties.

## BROTHERS DROWN IN JOHN DAY RIVER

Sons of John Putman of Fossil Lose Lives While Bathing Last Sunday Afternoon—Relatives Live in Heppner.

Wyatt, age 24 years, and Theodore, 17 years, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Putman of Fossil, were drowned in the John Day river, 22 miles from Fossil last Sunday afternoon.

The older boy was teaching the younger brother how to swim, and in his fright, the younger boy clung to Wyatt in such a manner that both boys went down. The older boy finally became so weak in his efforts to save Theodore from the swift current that both went down before fellow bathers could save them. A third boy, Harold Owens got hold of them once, but was taken to the bottom before he could free himself. He barely saved his own life.

The young men went to Fossil Sunday morning with a party of about 30 young men and women in autos. The bodies were recovered by the use of a hay rake, which combed the bottom of the river.

The funeral was held in Fossil, Tuesday morning at ten o'clock. The boys were nephews of Mrs. W. P. Furriner of this city.

Their cousin Clarence Scrivner and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Emma Curran, an aunt who has been visiting at the Scrivner home in this city, attended the funeral.

John Putman is an extensive farmer and stockman of the Fossil country besides being interested in the Stockman's Supply Co., at Fossil.

### Rattlesnake Snake Crop Good.

About half a dozen rattlesnakes have been killed here this summer. And by "here" we mean right in town and three of them were assassinated on the main street. They are getting to be a real menace. Several theories are advanced for the rapid increase. Some say that since the forest service has eliminated the forest fires it has given the reptile a good chance to increase. Others say that it is because there is no water in the Humboldt ditch this year and they are coming to the creek for a drink while others say it is a dead sure sign of a hard summer. We think that it is because there are no bootlegging goods here and the rattlers are smart enough to know that there is not antidote enough in town for one bite and they can transact their business without driving men to drink.—Canyon City Eagle.

## SUPERVISOR MAKES TOUR OF RESERVE

Cryder Found Frost Every Night During Three Weeks.

Range conditions are excellent on the west division of the Umatilla forest, according to W. W. Cryder, head of the Umatilla forestry office, who returned last night from an extensive tour of inspection of the territory. Cryder says there is an abundance of grass and lots of water this year and the great number of sheep and cattle which have been turned into the forest for the summer should have a great year.

The rabbits evidently have done a good work for there are few coyotes left after the ravages of the disease this year. Forest rangers are finding the forests covered with dead coyote bodies.

During Mr. Cryder's three week's visit in the forests there was frost almost every night and the days were cool. The down timber is wet due to the late season and there will be little danger from forest fires for some time.

Mr. Cryder has 600,000 acres of forest under his supervision and 14 rangers. He made most of the journey on foot.

The trip was made by way of Heppner, Fossil, John Day and Spray. "Everywhere in that section," said Mr. Cryder, we heard much talk of the Round-Up and the people are all planning to come this year. The residents too seem to think very favorable of the Pendleton normal school and will support it."

The hay crop around Heppner is bountiful and residents of Morrow county say that the crops in general are the best in the last ten years.

Cryder will leave Pendleton next week to visit the eastern slope of the forests.—Pendleton East Oregonian.